GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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IMPORT OF FISH
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether iish is being imported from the European countries;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Union Government has received any request from the State Governments to ban the import offish; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

a) to d) Yes, Sir. Details of fish imports from EU countries into India for the years 2005-06 and 2006-07 is Annexed. As per information received from the Seafood Exporters Association of India (SEAI), seafood such as shrimp, cuttlefish and squid was imported in 2006-07 amounting to only Rs. 5.08 crore from the EU countries primarily by five star hotels and embassies and for further value addition in India. As per available information, the Department of Commerce has not received any request from any State Government to ban import of fish.